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J. V. WALKER
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GOVERNMENT EVACUATION SCHEME

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IN addition to the cheap three-day vouchers available for visits to evacuated members of applicant's family normally resident in the Borough, facilities are extended to provide for the issue until 30th September, 1942, of cheap travel vouchers valid for eight days.

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Forms of application and further information may be obtained from the Secretary to the Education Committee, Mr. S. V. West, Clarendon House.

H. G. CURTIS
Town Clerk

Clarendon House.

BLACK-OUT TIMES

To-day ...	9.47 p.m.—6.8	a.m.
Wednesday	9.48 p.m.—6.5	a.m.
Thursday .	9.50 p.m.—6.3	a.m.
Friday ...	9.52 p.m.—6.1	a.m.
Saturday ...	9.54 p.m.—5.59	a.m.
Sunday ...	10.11 p.m.—5.42	a.m.
Monday ...	10.12 p.m.—5.40	a.m.

SIGNS DISREGARDED

Ramsgate Epidemic

WARNING TO ROAD USERS

The wholesale manner in which road users are disregarding traffic signs was referred to at Ramsgate police court on Monday.

Ronald Sidney William Southey, of Beach-street, Deal, was summoned for failing to conform with a traffic sign at the Lord of the Manor cross-roads on 13th April.

The Clerk (Mr. E. A. Knight) read a letter from defendant's father in which he stated that his son had returned to Bristol University to complete his studies and to take his final examination before joining the Fleet Air Arm. His son pleaded guilty to the offence.

P/C Bampton said that at noon on 13th April he was on motor cycle patrol when he saw a van approaching the Lord of the Manor cross-roads from Haine-road. The van failed to halt and proceeded in the direction of Sandwich at a speed of about 20 miles per hour. He went after the vehicle and stopped it by St. Augustine's Hotel. He asked defendant why he did not stop at the cross-roads and he replied "I could see both roads were clear so I did not think it mattered." Asked if he saw the halt sign he replied "Yes."

"I am sorry to say there is an epidemic of breaking the law in connection with halt signs all over the town," said Chief Inspr. Butcher. "They are as important in war-time as in peace-time."

Announcing that defendant would be fined 10s., the Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) said the bench agreed that rigorous attention should be given by road users to all traffic signs.

Cyclists Beware!

"In addition," said the Chairman, "I should like to draw the attention of the police to the very flagrant way cyclists are using certain localities in the town prohibited to them, and taking no notice of the signs. I saw what might have been a very serious accident last week. I am sure you will give it your special attention. Cyclists are riding down passages and other places where they are prohibited. It matters just as much in war-time as in peace-time."

Chief Inspr. Butcher said the police would certainly attend to the matter.

STOLEN RATIONS

SOLDIER FINED AT MARGATE

An Army cook, Edwin Stanley Scotton, aged 30, was charged at the Cinque Ports police court, Margate, on Monday, with stealing a quantity of groceries, value 10s., the property of the Government, between 1st January and 13th April.

Inspr. Hann K.C.C., said that on 13th April a telephone message was received at Sandwich police station from Bromley police asking for inquiries to be made regarding food found in the possession of accused's wife and two civilians. Proceedings had been taken against the two civilians for being in possession of Government property. The next day Scotton was seen at Worth by P/C Wilkinson and D/S Chamberlain and he admitted stealing groceries between January and April while at Acol. He said the goods were rations in respect of men on leave.

Inspr. Hann said defendant was cook at the site where he was stationed at Acol and he saved the rations issued for men who had gone on leave instead of returning them. There were no previous convictions against him. He was married, with two children aged eight and five years. He was born at Wandsworth, and from the time he left school until he was called up for the Army in September, 1940, he was employed as a monumental mason at East Dulwich.

An officer said the man had a clean conduct sheet. He was a good, average type of soldier and previously there had been no reason to doubt his honesty.

Announcing a fine of £2, the Chairman (Mr. W. Tomlin) said the magistates had taken into consideration the man's good conduct.

SHOT IN BED

SUICIDE OF AN EXCELLENT SOLDIER

Described by his commanding officer as "a splendid fellow and an excellent soldier," B/S/M Frank Nelson Hornby, aged 34, was found dying from the effects of a bullet wound at his billet at Birchington.

A verdict that he took his life while the balance of his mind was disturbed was returned by the Acting Coroner (Mr. J. H. Robinson) at the inquest at Margate Town Hall on Friday.

The commanding officer said B/S/M Hornby had been with his battery for about 18 months. He last saw B/S/M Hornby alive at midnight on Tuesday when he said good-night to witness and appeared to be in a normal, cheerful state of mind. When he was called to B/S/M Hornby's room at 8.30 the following morning he was lying on the bed with a bullet wound through the head and died a few minutes later.

Witness said B/S/M Hornby's wife had been in hospital recently and he lost a child about two and a half years previously. He seemed to have got over the loss of the child. He had told witness he had some difficulty in compiling the mess accounts and he might have worried over it. He did not think B/S/M Hornby knew much about accounts before joining the Army.

Gnr. Edward Benedict Smith said that on Sunday, 19th April, he reported to B/S/M Hornby that his rifle was foul and he could not get it clear. B/S/M Hornby took the rifle and said he would get the artificer to clear it. Witness identified a rifle as the one which he had given to B/S/M Hornby.

Borrowed Ammunition.

Bdr. Claude Leonard Warneford Smith said shortly before 1 a.m. on Wednesday he saw B/S/M Hornby come from his billet and walk towards the sergeants' mess. Witness spoke to him and he said he was going to the mess to get some tea for the men. Witness was wearing a bandolier with ammunition in it and B/S/M Hornby asked him to lend him ten rounds until the morning as he had a rifle but no ammunition, and a rifle was not much good without any ammunition. Witness gave him two clips of five rounds each and B/S/M Hornby said he would return them in the morning when he had obtained some from Bdr. Baycroft. At the time, witness thought B/S/M Hornby was in normal health and spirits and there was nothing unusual about him.

Sgt. Harry Douglas Patch said he went to B/S/M Hornby's room at 6.50 on Wednesday to report that he had called the roll and all was correct. He entered without knocking and switched the light on and saw that B/S/M Hornby was asleep. He pulled the blankets off his head and after witness had made his report, B/S/M Hornby said "Okay. What time is it?" Witness told him it was nearly ten to seven and verified it by a wrist watch which was on the chair by the side of the bed. Witness saw a rifle standing on its butt end against a small table four or five feet from the bed.

No Shot Heard.

L/Bdr. George William Baycroft said he occupied the room next to B/S/M Hornby. He went back to his billet after parade at 6.50 on Wednesday morning and he stayed there until 7.40 a.m., when he left to go to breakfast. He was in his room all that time and he did not hear the sound of a shot or any unusual noise. He returned from his breakfast at 8.20 and was put on guard outside deceased's room.

In reply to the Coroner, witness said that he could not have missed hearing a shot in the next room. He was the last to leave the billet for breakfast.

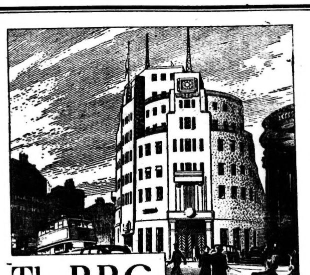
Describing how he found the body, Bdr. Peter Aubrey King said he went to B/S/M Hornby's room at about 8.20 a.m. on Wednesday to receive some instructions. He knocked, but getting no reply, he opened the door and found the light on and the black-out still up. He saw B/S/M Hornby lying on the bed with a rifle on his chest. He appeared to be twitching. Witness saw blood on the floor. He ran out and met Sgt. Cope and reported to him.

Dr. Walter Groom, police surgeon, who visited the billet at 9 a.m., said B/S/M Hornby was lying flat on his back in bed. Between his legs was a service rifle, with the muzzle pointing towards the head of the bed. A bullet had passed through deceased's head, causing a fracture of the bones of the vault of the skull. About three feet above the head of the bed was a bullet hole in the wall.

Witness said he thought it was probable that B/S/M Hornby sat up in bed, placed the muzzle of the rifle to the region of the left ear, and pulled the trigger, probably with the left hand.

P/S May, who searched the room, said he found no note or letter bearing on B/S/M Hornby's death. The rifle was identified by Gnr. Smith as the one issued to him. Two cartridge clips, one containing four rounds and the other five, were on a table near the bed.

The Coroner said he thought B/S/M Hornby was probably worried over his wife's illness and also the mess accounts.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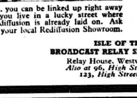
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BILLETING DEBT

ORDER AGAINST RAMSGATE PARENT

A claim for billeting charges, the first case of its type to come before the bench, was down for hearing at Ramsgate police court on Monday.

Alban Mercer, Kent County Council Assistant Assessment Officer, claimed from Arthur Victor Andrews, of Claremont-gardens, Ramsgate, the sum of £4 10s, for billeting charges in respect of defendant's child, Richard Andrews, from 14th October, 1941, to 31st January, 1942.

The Clerk (Mr. E. A. Knight) said the billeting charge was 6s. a week. He had received a letter from defendant in which he admitted owing the money and stated that he was willing to pay the debt by instalments of 2s. a week. He took his boy away from Stafford because he had to sleep with a man aged 34, and he did not think it was decent.

Mr. Knight said he sent a copy of the letter to the county authorities and they had written to say they would be prepared to accept an order for 2s. a week. Defendant had previously offered to pay 3s. a week but failed to keep up the payments. It was the first case of its kind they had had in the borough, said Mr. Knight.

The Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) announced that the bench would make an order for payment of 2s. a week until the debt was discharged.

MOBILE HOSPITAL

GIFT TO THANET DEDICATED

At the close of a youth service at Margate Parish Church on Sunday, the Vicar (Rev. D. V. Beckingham) dedicated the mobile hospital unit presented to Thanet by the Women of India through the Silver Thimble Fund.

Those present included the Mayor and Mayoress (Alderman and Mrs. G. P. Hoare) and Mrs. Sparling, local organiser for the Silver Thimble Fund.

The Mayor said the gift symbolised the great friendship existing between the people of the Empire.

"We are proud to think," said the Mayor, "that we are worthy of such a splendid gift. The first aid services, who are the custodians of the gift, are also proud. We pray the time will never come when it will have to be used for the purpose for which it is intended, but if it does we know that those who man it will carry out their duty most nobly."

BALDEY—BARNETT

SUSSEX WEDDING

The wedding took place quietly at the old Norman church at Edburton, Sussex, on Saturday, of Mrs. Mabel D. A. Barnett (née Stokes), widow of the late Mr. Sidney Rendal Barnett, formerly of Ramsgate, to Mr. Benjamin Percival Baldey, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Baldey, of Fulking, Sussex.

The bride wore a saxe blue ensemble and carried a bouquet of narcissi and daffodils. She was attended by her sister, Miss Eileen Stokes, who wore a wine coat with navy blue accessories.

Mr. George Baldey, Royal Artillery, was best man, and the bride was given away by Mr. Robert Canning, friend of the bridegroom.

As she left the church the bride was presented with a silver horseshoe by her small daughter Gillian, aged three.

The annexe to the Shepherd and Dog, Fulking, where the reception was held was decorated with primroses, with a large silver horseshoe in the centre.

FORMER COUNCILLOR'S DEATH

FALL AT BIRCHINGTON

A verdict of accidental death was returned by the Acting Coroner (Mr. J. H. Robinson) at an inquest at Margate Town Hall on Saturday on Mr. Edward George White Bearman, aged 81, of Dulverton, Nasmyth-road, Birchington, who died in Margate Hospital following an accident at his home.

Mr. Bearman, who had lived in Birchington for 23 years, was a member of the former Birchington Parish Council.

Mrs. Amy Sarah Ann Ponsonby, a daughter, told the Coroner that her father was active mentally but not physically. On the morning of 3rd March he was preparing to go to London and at 6.40 a.m. she was called to his room by the nurse who was looking after her mother, who had since died. When she entered the room her father, who was lying on the floor, said "Don't be emotional. I'm all right. I heard a bone in my leg give way and then I fell." Dr. Bowie was sent for and ordered the removal of her father to hospital. He returned home on 18th April. He was worried by the death of his wife and as he did not get any better he returned to hospital, where he died the previous Thursday.

Nurse Mary Josephine de Paira, of Salmestone Grange, Margate, said that at 6 a.m. on 3rd March she called Mr. Bearman so that he could catch the train to London. About 6.40 a.m. he called her and on entering the bedroom she found him lying on the floor. He informed her that his right leg had snapped and then he fell.

Dr. Alan Murison Bowie said he had attended Mr. Bearman for several years. He ordered his removal to hospital following the fall, and he remained until 18th April when he returned home. It was thought he might improve but he became worse and returned to the hospital. Death was due to hypostatic pneumonia, accelerated by or attributed to the fall. When deceased was X-rayed at the hospital it was found that the upper part of the right fibula was broken.

RAMSGATE DARTS CHAMPION

Mr. J. Smith, of Ramsgate, was the winner of the fourth annual darts championship held by the Chislet Colliery Welfare Association at the Black Horse Hotel, Hersden.

In the final Mr. Smith defeated Mr. R. Yorath, of Canterbury.

Mr. S. Dove, of Ramsgate, reached the semi-final and other Ramsgate men taking part were Messrs. W. Moody and F. Sharp.

BRAVE SCHOOLBOY HONOURED

A pupil of Chatham House School, Ramsgate, now at Stafford, Herbert A. Smith, aged 15 years, has been awarded the vellum of the Royal Humane Society for saving the life of a 12-year-old boy who fell in the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal at Stafford on 31st January.

Smith is the son of Mr. H. W. Smith, postmaster at Manston.

MR. PEEL NASH'S WILL

MAN WHO WAS BURNED TO DEATH

Mr. Arthur Peel Nash, solicitor, who was burned to death at his home in Park-road, Ramsgate, in November, 1940, left estate valued at £8,313, with net personalty £2,437.

On his 74th birthday, Mr. Nash married his secretary, aged 34, but about a year later she secured a decree of nullity. Subsequently he obtained a judgment for the return of jewellery he alleged he had lent to another former secretary, aged 24, whom he had adopted as his daughter.

Mr. Nash figured in considerable litigation during his lifetime. He made his will in duplicate, adding two codicils, and it is reported that an action is pending concerning the validity of the will.

YOUTH DAY

INSPIRING RAMSGATE SERVICE

Empire Youth Day was celebrated at Holy Trinity Church, Ramsgate, on Sunday when youth took the lead at the evening service.

A record congregation was ushered in by two young communicants, the Misses B. Spain and D. Sandy, acting as church wardens. The order of service was announced by Mrs. Denne, who also read the second lesson, the first lesson being read by Mr. C. Read.

A special feature of the service was three solos sung from the organ loft. To an organ accompaniment, Mrs. P. Eccleston sang very sweetly "O Love Divine" and also accompanied Miss M. Vince in a very fine rendering of "Jerusalem."

"Bless this House" was sung by L/Cpl. Frank Richardson, of the Royal Sussex Regiment.

The service closed with a processional hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers," a number of St. John Ambulance cadets taking part in the procession. The cross was carried by Mr. Arthur Williams and the banners by Mrs. F. Richardson, the Misses J. Macdonald and C. Andrews, and Mr. Bobbie Brissenden.

The collection was taken by six young sideswomen, the Misses M. Dearlove, M. Williams, J. Austen, J. Richards, P. Marks and B. Cockburn.

Miss B. Milgate presided at the organ and nine men and ten boys formed the choir.

The sermon was preached by the Rector (the Rev. A. H. Culmer).

This very inspiring service bears testimony to the spirit of Ramsgate youth.

THIRD BROTHER MISSING

George Martin, of Carraway's-place, who was serving with the forces at Singapore, is the third member of a Margate family to be reported missing.

Two of his brothers, first reported missing are now known to be prisoners of war. Pte. Philip Martin, The Buffs, was captured at Dunkirk, and Stkr. Frederick Martin, R.N., was picked up from a destroyer which was sunk.

A fourth brother, Richard, is serving in the Navy.

TWO BROTHERS KILLED

P/C Day, of Birchington, has lost two brothers in the war.

Sigmn. Edward Day, R.N., was killed during the battle of Narvik while serving on H.M.S. Hunter, and the death has now been confirmed of Ldg. Airman (Telegraphist-Air Gunner) Charles Aisne Day, of the Fleet Air Arm, who was serving on H.M.S. Gloucester, which was sunk off Crete a year ago.

ABSENTEE ARRESTED

At Ramsgate police court on Friday Pte. Edward William Gosling was charged with being absent without leave from his regiment since the previous Sunday.

P/C Weller said he saw defendant detained by W/R Petley at Dumpton railway station the previous day. Witness told defendant that his unit reported that he was absent without leave and he replied "Yes, I am."

The Chairman, the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe), said defendant would be handed over to a military escort.

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KILLED ON SUBMARINE

WREN WIFE BEREAVED

Mrs. Hogben, of Byron-avenue, Margate, a petty officer in the W.R.N.S., has been notified by the Admiralty that her husband, P/O George Henry Hogben, R.N., has been killed while serving in a submarine.

An old boy of Dane School, P/O Hogben, who was 27 years of age, was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Hogben, of 25 Bath-road, Margate. After sailing round the world as a merchant seaman he joined the Navy in 1933 and for the past five years had been in the submarine service.

He was married in 1935 to Miss M. R. Dennis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Dennis, of Byron-avenue, Margate, who joined the W.R.N.S. last year.

INDUCTION OF NEW VICAR

The new Vicar of St. Lawrence, the Rev. J. H. Roundhill, formerly Vicar of Holy Trinity, Sittingbourne, will be instituted by the Bishop of Dover (Dr. A. C. W. Rose) and inducted by the Archdeacon of Canterbury (Ven. T. K. Sopwith) on Friday.

The service will begin at 6.30 p.m.

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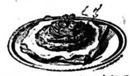
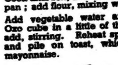


SPINACH SAVOURY

1 lb. spinach
2 ozs. flour
½ pint vegetable water
1 Oxo Cube
1 oz. margarine or other fat
Salt and pepper
Little mayonnaise (if available)

Wash spinach and put into pan with salt and pepper. Cook until soft, drain well and sieve. Melt margarine in pan; add flour, mixing well, and cook a few minutes. Add vegetable water and boil up. Dissolve the Oxo cube in a little of the hot vegetable water and add, stirring. Reheat spinach in the sauce, mix well and pile on toast, which you have spread with mayonnaise.



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1 oz. dripping
½ pt. vegetable water
1 tablespoon grated cheese
1 oz. flour
1 lb. mixed cooked vegetables
Parsley to garnish
Oxo Cube

Line a flan tin with short pastry. Cook about 15 minutes in a very hot oven, Regulo No. 7. Meanwhile melt the dripping in a pan and stir in the flour. Dissolve the Oxo cube in vegetable water and add it gradually. Stir until thick. Add the cut-up vegetables. Make really hot. Turn into the cooked flan case. Sprinkle with the cheese and garnish with parsley. Serve ho...

BOY'S MANY CHANCES

ABSCONDED FROM HOSTEL

The efforts made to give a Margate boy a good start in life were described at the borough juvenile court last week.

Sixteen years of age, the boy was brought before the magistrates for havin committed a breach of his recognisances. In January last year he was placed on probation and ordered to reside where the Probation Officer stipulated. He was sent to a hostel at Brighton, from which he absconded.

The Probation Officer (Mr. A. E. Bray) said the boy was evacuated in 1940, but at the end of the year left Staffordshire and made his way back to Margate. After being placed on probation he remained in Margate for a time and then it was considered advisable that he should be under the supervision of a man, so he was sent to a hostel at Brighton for six months. He was not very satisfactory, but the warden of the hostel thought that in time he would be able to do something with the boy and the period was extended for six months. Reports, however, continued to be of an adverse nature, and on the previous Tuesday witness went to the hostel to see the boy but he could not be found. The next morning the boy appeared at witness' office in Margate and said he came home the previous night, having left a note for his employer, but not informing the hostel warden.

Didn't Know Why.

The boy admitted to the magistrates that he ran away but could give no reason except that he wanted to come home.

Mr. C. E. A. Freebody, warden of the Brighton hostel, said after the boy was sent to him he was found several situations in Brighton. From the first two he was discharged for disobeying orders. He was then kept at the hostel for two months before being found another job, which he retained for three months before being discharged for stealing.

"I feel and know there is a lot of good in the boy if only we can find the right way of bringing it out," said Mr. Freebody. He thought the boy needed stricter discipline, and in December suggested to Mr. Bray that the hostel was not suitable for him. The next day the boy's father called and took the boy to a recruiting office. He wanted to go in the Navy and an examination was arranged at which he was turned down for defective vision. The boy then obtained employment with a firm of tea importers off his own bat and gave satisfaction. Mr. Partridge, a restaurant proprietor at Brighton, who helped boys at the hostel, engaged him and he slept in. At first he gave satisfaction but then slackened and was seen in undesirable dance halls, with the result that restrictions on him were increased and his pocket money curtailed. Ultimately Mr. Partridge asked witness to remove the boy and he thought that was the reason why he absconded.

Full of False Pride.

"The boy is full of false pride," said Mr. Freebody, "and I think that lies behind most of his misdemeanours. He did not want to come back to the hostel with the boys who had seen him at the height of his glory. I am very sorry he has had to come back to you. We have tried desperately hard, and feel sorry for the boy because of the unhappy home circumstances. We shall be more than willing to do anything we can to give him another chance."

The Chairman (Alderman F. L. Pettman) thanked Mr. Freebody for his perseverance and energy on the boy's behalf.

Mr. Partridge, who accompanied Mr. Freebody, said he was sorry the boy had come back to that position, and, whatever the magistrates' decision, he would like to continue to keep touch with him. If there was anything he could do in the future he would be pleased to do it. The complaints against the boy at the restaurant were of a minor nature, and there was no question of dishonesty. He was certain there was no vice in the boy.

The Probation Officer mentioned that Mr. Partridge fully clothed the boy and gave him two suits in order to start him off.

The Magistrates' Clerk (Mr. C. C. Maughan): He has had exceptional opportunities.

The boy said his one ambition was to go to sea, and it was a blow to him when he did not pass.

The magistrates decided to send the boy to an approved school.

THIS WEEK'S SHORT STORY

SERINGAPATAM MEDAL

By T. C. BRIDGES

"A convict escaped to-day from Dartmoor," came the voice of the radio announcer.

Janice Pelton dropped her book on her lap and listened eagerly. Even her husband, busily polishing something with a piece of chamois leather, turned to listen. The voice went on:

"He was one of the breakfast orderlies who rise early to serve the meal for the other prisoners and it is believed that he climbed the sixteen-foot wall that surrounds the prison yard at about five a.m. At any rate it was some time before his escape was discovered. His name is Kerry, and he is known as Red Kerry from the colour of his hair. He was serving a five-year sentence for burglary with violence."

"Burglary with violence," repeated Janice, who was a slim, upright little woman with fair hair and brilliantly blue eyes. "Oh, Bill, and you still have the medal in the house. Why in the world didn't you put it in the bank as I asked you?"

"Don't worry, old thing," said Bill indulgently. "Red Kerry isn't coming to Narracombe. The odds are he has already stowed away in a goods train on his way to Bristol or London."

"You can't possibly tell," his wife retorted. "Why, only last year a convict broke into a house at Postbridge and frightened an old woman nearly out of her wits."

"We'll lock up good and tight to-night, Janice." Bill promised. Janice was not consoled.

"I shan't sleep a wink," she declared. "That medal is too valuable to keep in a lonely house like this."

"But no one knows about it," Bill replied.

"Hugh Scovell knows and you have not forgotten how angry he was that Uncle Godfrey left it to you instead of him. And I'm quite sure that fat, dark man who came here in the big car and asked if we had any old prints to sell, was after it."

"Fact is, I hate to have it out of my sight, darling. Isn't it a lovely thing?" asked Bill enthusiastically holding out a large medal of solid gold.

On one side was shown the British lion at the throat of the Indian tiger; on the obverse was a beautiful little engraving of the city of Seringapatam. This was the Seringapatam gold medal of which only five or six exist. It had been awarded to Bill's great-great-grandfather who had been a general in the East India Company's service, and was Bill's proudest possession.

Janice barely glanced at it.

"Lock it up, Bill, at once." Bill rather reluctantly put the medal back into its case, placed the case carefully in the top right-hand drawer of his desk, locked the drawer and put the key in his pocket.

Narracombe, the Peltons' home, stood in the valley of the West Dart. It was a pleasant little house with some sixty acres of grazing and quite a good garden. Bill and his wife were both country folk and the place suited them perfectly. It had been left to them by Bill's Uncle, Godfrey Pelton, together with the land and the furniture and a nice little income of £500 a year. Hugh Scovell, Bill's bachelor cousin, who lived a dozen miles away, inherited £10,000, so it would seem he had not much to complain of.

But because he was older than Bill and because he had a greedy disposition he was much annoyed that Bill had been left the family heirlooms. Bill disliked him cordially, and saw as little of him as possible.

The Peltons' servants were a married couple, Frank and Annie French. Frank worked on the farm and garden, Annie in the house. They lived in a cottage at some little distance from the house.

A Last Look Round.

The wireless news ceased, to be followed by dance music.

"I'm going to bed, Bill," Janice continued. "Mind you see to all the doors and windows. Specially those at the back of the house."

"Right you are," said Bill. "I'll have my nightcap, then I'll come up."

As Janice left, Bill mixed a whisky and soda, drank it slowly, then, pipe in mouth, went round the ground floor, seeing to doors and windows. Last of all he came to the front door which opened into the hall sitting-room. It was his habit to have a look at the weather last thing at night. He opened the door and glanced up at the sky, but there was not much to be seen, for the night was cloudy and exceedingly dark.

As he turned to come in again he heard a movement close by. Then it seemed to him as if the roof had fallen on his head and for some time earthly affairs ceased to interest him.

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When he came to himself he was sitting in his own chair, tied hand and foot and gagged with a handkerchief. His head ached so abominably that it was difficult to open his eyes. When at last he managed to do so the first thing he saw was a man busy opening the drawers of his desk. The light was poor for there was no electricity in Narracombe and Bill had left only one small lamp burning, yet this was enough to show Bill that the intruder wore a badly-made, very muddy grey suit and that his hair was of the colour commonly known as "carrots."

Red Kerry without doubt, and Bill groaned as he realised that Janice had been right and he wrong. Now the fellow had his keys and would get not only the money in the desk—a matter of five or six pounds—but also the medal.

The convict heard the groan and chuckled callously.

"Groan as much as you please," he remarked. "It won't do me no harm. And don't worry about your woman. She ain't hurt but she's locked in her room." As he spoke he found the medal.

"Lumme, here's a bit o' luck," he continued as he weighed it in his hand. "Twenty quids worth o' gold." He thrust it and the money into his pocket. "Now I'll 'ave a drink and a mouthful o' grub and a suit o' your clothes, and push along. Your folk 'll loose you in the morning."

As Red turned, Bill noticed that he had a handkerchief tied across the lower part of his face.

Did the fellow really imagine that disguise of that sort was any good? His hair alone identified him. It nearly broke Bill's heart to think that the brute would almost certainly melt down that priceless medal. Nor was it any help to think how Janice would reproach him. Though she wouldn't say so, Janice was just as proud as Bill himself of the heirloom. And Bill, gagged as he was could not even remonstrate with the thief.

Convict No. 2.

It was at this moment that Bill saw the front door being pushed quietly open. Bill's heart gave a jump. This must be a warder, for no one else would be about at this time of night. The medal would be saved after all.

It wasn't a warder. The head that poked in was covered with the Tam O'Shanter cap that convicts wear and the hair beneath it was almost scarlet. As for the face, it was the grimmest Bill had ever sighted and was not improved by thick red stubble on cheeks and chin and a huge smear of black peaty mud across the forehead.

A second convict was the double of the first. Bill began to doubt his sanity.

The newcomer saw Bill and gave him one quick stare, then his greenish eyes settled on the first lag with an expression of such ferocity as made Bill's blood chill. Busy with the whisky decanter, and with his back turned, lag Number One had not yet seen Number Two. Nor had he heard the door open.

"'Oo are you?" remarked Number Two in a deep, harsh voice, and as the first lag whirled the other was on him. Number One ducked, dodged and made desperately for the open door. He hadn't a hope. The second man caught him before he could reach it, flung both arms round him, tripped him, and the two went to the floor together with a thump that made the lamp flame jump and shook the whole house.

"Open up!" demanded Number Two, but since he had the other by the throat the only answer was a despairing gurgle. Bill was nearly frantic. Janice would be scared to death. She would, of course, think that he—Bill—was the victim. He struggled furiously to free himself, but the only result was to upset his chair and land himself on the floor with a force that nearly knocked his remaining senses out of him. He had just enough left to realise that Convict Number Two had choked the other into insensibility and was going through his pockets. First he found the money which clearly gave him great satisfaction, then he discovered the medal. He looked at it a moment with evident interest, then shook his head and flung it on to the table.

"I ain't taking no medals, mister," he said to Bill, then seeing Bill's predicament, he got up, strode across and lifted him and the chair together. His strength was enormous.

Then he ripped away Bill's gag.

"I dunno 'oo this bloke is," he said. He showed large white teeth in a fierce grin. "Now I wants grub and a change. Tell me where I can get 'em and I'll turn you loose afore I goes."

"Food in the kitchen. Clothes in the left-hand room at the top of the stairs. And, Red, my wife's locked in the bedroom on the opposite side of the passage. Tell her I'm all right, will you?"

"I'll let her out," Red promised and hurried into the back of the house to find the promised food. He looked as if he needed it.

Third Arrival.

The passage door had hardly closed behind him before the front door opened for a third time, and Bill could hardly believe his eyes when he saw Janice hurry in, followed by a prison officer.

"Oh, Bill, has he hurt you?" Janice cried as she flung her arms round her husband. The guard was gazing at the man on the floor.

"Looks as if this is the chap who's got hurt," he said drily. Then for the first time he spotted that Bill was tied. He looked amazed, but had sense left to produce a knife and cut the cords.

"Don't ask me," Bill answered his inevitable question. "I went outside on to the porch, got knocked on the head, and when I came round I was tied up like this. Someone must have come in while I was asleep and laid that blighter out. Was it another warder?" The man shook his head.

"It weren't no one from the prison," he replied. "It couldn't be. I'm the only one within two miles. Your lady, she got out of the window and found me on Huccaby bridge and fetched me."

"That was splendid of you, Janice," said Bill, so warmly that Janice blushed. The officer went on:

"Well, I've got my chap and, if you're all right, I'll take him back where he belongs. They'll be pleased to see him. May I borrow your car, sir? I'll take good care of it, and you shall have it again in the morning."

"Certainly," said Bill promptly.

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A few minutes later he and Janice watched the tail light of the car disappear up the steep road. Then Bill began to chuckle. The chuckle became a laugh, the laugh a roar. Janice shook him.

"Bill, don't be so aggravating! Stop it. What are you laughing about? What really happened?"

"It—it wasn't Red at all," gurgled Bill. "It—it was Hugh."

"Hugh—Hugh Scovell?"

"Nobody else. And—that guard didn't know him. Think's he's Red Kerry. He—Hugh will have a grand time, explaining. In fact, I don't see how he can explain. And I'm sure I'm not going to do it for him." He went off again, laughing till tears ran down his cheeks.

Janice at last was beginning to understand.

"You mean to tell me that Hugh dressed up as a convict and wore a red wig in order to steal the medal?"

"That's it, old thing. He must have planned it the minute he heard that Red had escaped."

"But who—who knocked him out?" demanded Janice.

"The real Red. You ought to have seen the way he handled him. And the real Red is a sportsman, Janice. He wouldn't take the medal, and he pulled the gag out of my mouth and promised to let you loose. He'd have done it, too, I'm sure."

"Where is he now?" asked Janice.

"A mile away by this time, I expect. Good luck to him, say I." Then at last Janice laughed.

"I hope so, too," she declared. "But Bill, to-morrow, as soon as you get the car, that medal goes to the bank in Plymouth."

"It does," said Bill. "And you come, too, and we'll celebrate. After all, it was you who really turned the trick."

The End

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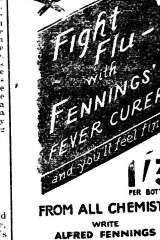

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BROTHERS SAVED

SERVED TOGETHER ON H.M.S. CORNWALL

Mrs. A. Lawrence, of 130 Grange-road, Ramsgate, has been officially informed by the Admiralty that her two sons, Marine William Albert Lawrence and A/B John Lawrence, who were both serving on H.M.S. Cornwall, have been saved.

The brothers are old boys of Ellington School. After two years in the Merchant Navy, William joined the Royal Marines at the age of 17 and has completed 13 years service. During the war he has been in naval actions on different ships at Narvik, Crete and Matapan, and had had several previous narrow escapes before he joined the Cornwall a few weeks ago.

A/B John Lawrence, who entered the Royal Navy when he was 15, joined the Cornwall when he was 17½ and had just sat for his examination for leading seaman when the ship was sunk.

Two married sons of Mrs. Lawrence are engaged on war work and of three daughters two are serving in the W.A.A.F. and the other is about to join the W.R.N.S.

BACK FROM MIDDLE EAST

Wounded in the fighting in the Middle East last September, Q/M/S John J. Lambert, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. Lambert, of 44 Westbrook-avenue, Margate, has recently been home on a short leave.

An old boy of Dover County School, Q/M/S Lambert was for seven years employed at Dreamland Amusement Park and was appointed manager of a cinema at New Brighton five years ago.

After joining the Army in November, 1940, Sgt. Lambert gained quick promotion and was quartermaster sergeant and chief clerk at General H.Q., Middle East Command. After being wounded in September he was in hospital for several months with a fractured skull

BLOOD AND SAND

IBANEZ MASTERPIECE AT ODEON

An Academy Award picture is amongst the attractions offered at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, this week.

Paramount's sensational chill-thriller, "The Monster and the Girl," starring Ellen Drew and Robert Paige, is being screened to-day and to-morrow.

This is the story of an executed man whose brain is transferred by a well-intentioned scientist to the skull of a massive gorilla. The brain he has transferred belonged to a man who was obsessed with destroying the six men responsible for his execution, and grim terror grips an entire city when the monster strikes. The programme also includes Joan Blondell and Dick Powell in "Model Wife," an amusing story of a wedded couple working at an ultra-smart gown shop, where marriage in the personnel is taboo.

Ibanez's masterpiece in technicolor, "Blood and Sand," the greatest picture ever to come from Fox Studios, heads the bill for the latter part of the week. It is a drama of contrasts—contrasts between the grinding poverty of young Juan Gallardo, the reckless bullfighter, before he became the most famous matador in Spain, and the overflow of wealth he afterwards achieved. The contrast between the devotion and fidelity of Juan's wife and the callous fickleness of the beautiful siren who conquers and ruins him at the height of his fame. Tyrone Power, as the matador, gives one of the finest performances of his career; Linda Darnell is his beautiful wife, while Rita Hayworth has the role of the fiery temptress. There is a full supporting programme.

R.A.F. BAND CHEERED

ST. GEORGE'S DAY DANCE

The St. George's Day dance, held at the West Cliff Theatre, Ramsgate, on Thursday, in aid of the Mayor's Comforts Fund, was a brilliant success.

Nearly 600 dancers, delighted by the music of the R.A.F. Central Band, stood still during the last dance to clap and cheer the talented musicians, who included Vera Lynn's husband, saxophonist.

A competition, organised by the Mayoress and Mrs. Peete, helped to swell the proceeds.

MORE BUFFS PRISONERS

In a War Office list of casualties, Buffs reported prisoners of war are Sgt. F. V. C. Giles, L/Cpl. W. Rae, L/Cpl. D. J. Richards, Bdsmn. N. R. C. Bullard, Ptes. M. M. Cox, H. J. Day, S. Lovell and B. P. Murfitt.

NIGHT-CAP FOR THE CHILDREN

The vast majority of children reach the land of dreams as soon as they are tucked up between the sheets. This is as it should be, for the kiddies, as well as the growing lads and lasses, require plenty of rest—unbroken refreshing slumber, which fits them for the activities of the following day. It may happen sometimes, however, that this is not the case and they are restless and waken at the slightest sound.

Such children require a nerve-restoring food, and this can best be provided in the form of a night-cap—a drink of something out of the ordinary which will not only induce sound, revitalising, restorative sleep, but which will not overtax their digestion. The ideal night-cap for them, as it is for men and women of all ages, is that delicious food beverage Ovaltine.

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Start giving it to the children to-night and see how they benefit.

Malta to Margate

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS DELAYED

The Mayor of Margate (Alderman G. P. Hoare) recently received a letter conveying Christmas greetings to the people of Margate from nine Margate men stationed at Malta.

The letter, which was written by Dmr. L. Love, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Love, of Grange-road, Margate, was written on 8th December.

An extract from the letter reads "All ranks send their sincerest Christmas greetings and all best wishes to his Worship the Mayor, councillors and people of Margate."

The letter ends with the slogan, "Up the Town"—which is reminiscent of the days of Margate football glory.

Dmr. Love's brother, Cpl. Frank Love, The Buffs, is a prisoner of war in Germany.

SHARMAN—BELL

RAMSGATE OFFICER'S BRIDE

The wedding took place at St. Mark's Church, Basford recently, of 2nd Lt. John Bernard Sharman, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sharman, of Ramsgate to Miss Kathleen M. Bell, daughter of Mrs. B. Bell and the late Mr. John Bell.

Given away by her brother, 2nd Lt. G. Bell, the bride wore a dress of parchment satin, on classical lines, with train, and carried a bouquet of Easter lilies.

She was attended by the Misses K. J. and F. Sharman, sisters of the bridegroom, and Miss M. Bell, cousin of the bride, who wore dresses of turquoise poulte, with headdresses of anemones, and carried bouquets of the same flowers.

Major C. Catlin, the bridegroom's commanding officer, acted as best man.

Following a reception at the Castle Hotel, Newcastle-under-Lyne, Lt. and Mrs. Sharman left for the honeymoon at London, the bride travelling in a black suit and hat, with black and crimson accessories.

They received many presents and telegrams of congratulation.

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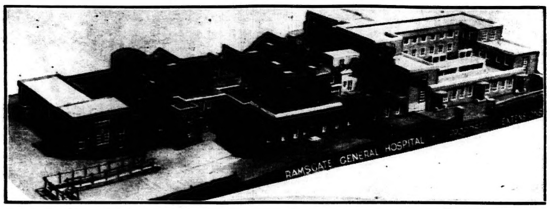

The proposed extensions of Ramsgate General Hospital have been made widely known since the appeal for building funds was launched four years ago, but few had any idea what they would look like until quite recently when a model, pictured above, was exhibited during Warship Week. The model was made by Mr. W. T. Cooper, secretary to the Ramsgate section of the Thanet Hospital Aid Association, without cost to the hospital.

In this picture the much-talked-of new Casualty and Out-patients' Department is seen in the foreground on the right and, rising above it and to the rear, the new wards and ancillary departments not so urgently needed, although planned as necessary in the future.

The Extensions Appeal Fund passed the £10,500 mark on the anniversary of the launching of the appeal on 3rd March, and has put on more than an average of £50 for every month since the war began, a well deserved reward for the courage the Appeals Committee had in declaring that the fund would neither close nor be suspended during the war. All funds are invested in war savings.

LIBRARIAN WEDS

ARTILLERY OFFICER'S BRIDE

Miss Joyce Muriel Redman, who is carrying out the duties of librarian at Ramsgate Public Library during the absence on service of Mr. B. C. Darbey, was married at Christ Church on 18th April to Lt. Robert Henry Guy Ring, R.A., of Yeovil, Somerset.

Daughter of Mr. Ernest V. Redman, R.A.F., and Mrs. Redman, of Harrow, and Ramsgate, the bride, who was given away by her father, wore a blue camel-hair coat over a powder blue frock, with hat to match, and a shoulder spray of sweet peas.

She was attended by Miss Margaret Parlett, who was dressed in a fawn coat and pale blue frock, with blue hat and similar floral spray.

The ceremony, which was attended by representatives of the Services and members of the Library Committee, was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. P. M. Townend.

L/Cpl. J. Ring, brother of the bridegroom, acted as best man.

Following a reception at No. 11 Napleton-road, where the bride has been living with her grandmother, widow of Mr. A. B. Redman, Lt. and Mrs. Ring left for a honeymoon at Yeovil. They received many presents and telegrams of congratulation.

Mrs. Ring is resuming her duties as librarian upon her return to Ramsgate.

ST. PETER'S WEDDING

MANN—McROBBIE

The wedding took place at St. Peter's on 18th April of P/O Douglas Vernon Mann, R.N., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Mann, of 37 Osborne-road, Broadstairs, to Miss Elma Wishart McRobbie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. McRobbie, of Glasgow.

The bridegroom is an old boy of Chatham House School, Ramsgate.

Given away by her brother, Pte. S. McRobbie, the bride wore a gown of oyster colour satin with her grandmother's wedding veil, and carried a sheaf of lilies. Her bridesmaid, Miss June Mann (sister of the bridegroom), wore a pale blue georgette frock and her bouquet was of daffodils.

The Rev. R. D. d'E. Meredith, curate-in-charge, officiated, and Cpl. F. Read, of the London Irish Rifles, was best man. Mr. R. J. Bowen, church organist, played the Bridal March from "Lohengrin," Mendelssohn's Wedding March, "I'll Walk Beside You" and "The Eriskay Love Lilt."

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the bridegroom's home.

TEMPLARS' MUSICAL EVENING

At the weekly meeting of the Star of the East Lodge, I.O.G.T., at Broadstairs on Tuesday, presided over by Mr. T. E. McCabe, lodge deputy, visitors present included Mrs. Drayson, Mrs. Larkin, Miss Pottle, Mrs. Watt, Mr. and Mrs. Horn, Mr. Cottle, Mr. J. Ward, Miss C. Amos, Miss Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jacobsen, Gnr. and Mrs. L. Kemp and Miss Coleman, while members present on leave were Pte. A. Baker and Miss B. Lithauer, Land Army.

Visiting lodges represented were Kent County, Canterbury, Advance and Sunbeam, Ramsgate, and Isle of Thanet, Margate, and greetings and good wishes were received from Gnr. R. H. Whiteley (Middle East Forces), Pte. R. Pointer, Mrs. F. Perry, Mrs. Codling, Mrs. Fairbrass, Mrs. Britton, Mrs. Kemp, Mrs. W. Joyce, Mrs. Whibley, Mr. T. E. Martin and Mr. M. D. Faulkner.

Sympathy was extended to Mrs. Adams in her great loss, and tribute was paid to the faith, courage and cheerfulness of Mr. A. Adams during his long illness.

Sympathy was also expressed to Flt. Lt. E. McCabe, who has met with a serious accident, with hopes for a speedy and complete recovery.

A musical programme arranged by Mrs. Hawes was much enjoyed. Among those contributing items were Gnr. L. Kemp, Miss C. Amos and Mr. C. Horn. A collection for the District Guide Fund realised £1.

The usual intercession service was conducted by the lodge chaplain, Mr. A. B. Impett, P.D.S.J.W.

TIED TO TREE

JOURNALIST ESCAPES FROM JAPS

A former Thanet journalist, Sgt. K. C. Bindoff, R.A., whose parents live at St. Peter's, has reached Bombay after having escaped from the Japanese by whom he was captured at Singapore.

In an airgraph letter to a friend at Ramsgate, Sgt. Bindoff writes:

"I had a lot of adventures escaping from Singapore, where I was taken prisoner by the Japs but managed to get away from the tree to which they tied me and paddle off in a sampan.

"It seemed as if the 90 miles of sea to Sumatra would beat me but I managed to get aboard a motor launch. This struck a reef in the darkness as none of us knew anything about navigation and the sea was very rough, but we were picked up eventually by a tug boat.

"I landed in Dutch territory dressed as a Chinese fisherman, looking a real pirate, and feeling very hungry after having had little but coconuts to eat. The Dutch were very kind and helped us on our way to India."

At the time of his capture in February Sgt. Bindoff adds that they had retreated as far as they could go and were fighting with their backs to the sea 30 yards away. "But here I am safe in India," he writes cheerfully, "with a sporting chance of seeing you all again one day. How I hope that day will not be too far distant!"

HUSBAND'S ARREARS

LACKS DESIRE TO PAY

A plasterer employed by the Office of Works told the magistrates at Margate on Wednesday that he expected to be out of work in about a fortnight and that there were over 500 plasterers out of work in London.

The man, Edward Ivan Orman, of Sydenham-road, Croydon, was summoned for being £27 in arrears under a maintenance order in favour of his wife.

The Court Collector (Mr. G. Camfield) said the order, made in July, 1941, was for the payment of 30s. a week. During January this year sums of £2 and £1 were received but nothing had been received since. Defendant had failed to let him know his change of address.

Defendant said his wages were £4 6s. 10d. a week. He had to pay 1s. 3d. a day travelling expenses, 30s. for lodgings and had to buy his own dinners.

In reply to Mr. Camfield, defendant said he did not let him know his change of address as he did not want his wife to know where he was. He had been working in London for eight years and had three times offered her a home. It was time she made up her mind that her place was with him and not with her family.

When defendant offered to pay £1 a week the Chairman (Alderman G. P. Hoare) said the case would be adjourned sine die and defendant would have a pay £1 a week and 2s. 6d. a week off the arrears.

"I feel it is not inability on your part but lack of desire to pay," said the Chairman. "You are not enthusiastic about the payments but your wife has to live and you have a duty towards her."

POLICE BEAT HOME GUARD

In a shooting match on Wednesday Ramsgate Police defeated Ebbsfleet Home Guard by 241 points to 187.

Police—S/C Fearn 17 and 15, P/C Shanahan 17 and 18, W/R Marshall 13 and 0, D/C Oram 18 and 17, S/C Luckett 19 and 0, W/R Ludiman 20 and 15, S/C Page 20 and 18, W/R Doyle 17 and 17.

Home Guard—R. T. Milham 16 and 17, R. C. Milham 12 and 9, Stevens 12 and 0, Goodham 14 and 13, Hodgson 14 and 0, Adsett 14 and 9, Pearse 6 and 16, Page 18 and 17.

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MARGATE AMBULANCE PRESIDENT

CORPS' UNTIRING WORK

In succession to the late Mr. W. G. Sutcliffe, Dr. E. J. Bradley was elected president at the annual meeting of Margate Ambulance Corps, held at the Town Hall on Tuesday.

The corps has lost most of its men to the Armed Forces and Civil Defence Services but during the year nearly 400 accident and removal cases were attended.

Recalling that Mr. Sutcliffe had served the corps as president for 40 years, Dr. Bradley said characteristic of him was that he had served in three wars. At the age of 73 he took a post in the front line at Dover, where he remained until a few weeks before his death. "We miss in him a very great friends and a very great man," said Dr. Bradley.

Dr. Bradley also paid tribute to the late Mr. W. E. Enderby, a former chief officer of the corps.

The election of Dr. Bradley as president was moved by the Chief Officer, Mr. B. J. Garraway, and on the proposition of the president Dr. G. L. Brocklehurst was elected vice-president.

Dr. Brocklehurst said he had been impressed by the work of the corps and when the war broke out the corps formed the nucleus of the present Casualty Services. He paid tribute to the excellent voluntary work carried on by the members of the corps in the past two years, and spoke of his particular appreciation of their help in voluntarily manning the first aid depot at Dalby-square, with ambulance and personnel, independent of the Civil Defence Services.

Overdraft Increased.

The statement of accounts, presented by Mr. W. S. L. Munns, hon. secretary and treasurer, showed that the overdraft of £16 10s. brought forward from the previous year had been increased to £19 16s. He pointed out, however, that but for the fact that they were allowed a flag day collection last year, which realised £94, the overdraft would have been over £100.

The president thought it was very satisfactory, having regard to the state of the town, that the overdraft had only increased by £3 6s.

Mr. Garraway said the corps gave their services free in cases of accidents but in cases of removal of patients people were asked if they could afford to pay something. Generally speaking half the expenses were paid.

Presenting his annual report, Mr. Garraway said the corps still covered all accidents and removals, except between 11 p.m. and 8 a.m., when the Civil Defence Casualty Services undertook street accidents, which entailed very few calls. Although only a few members of the corps were left, they carried on and he thanked them for their untiring support. He fully appreciated the number of hours service they gave and the loyal manner in which they carried out their duties. Some of the members belonged to the Civil Defence Services and they gave their services when off duty.

During last year the corps attended 118 accidents and 273 cases of removal, while members turned out on 430 occasions and the ambulances travelled 8,763 miles. He tendered his thanks to Mrs. M. Venner, the organiser, and the commandants and collectors of the flag day for their energetic efforts; the Chief Constable and members of the police force, and the chief officer and members of the fire service for their co-operation. More members had joined the services during the year and he wished them good luck and a speedy return. In conclusion he referred to the passing of Mr. Sutcliffe, the first holder of the office of president, and Mr. Enderby, who was a trustee of the corps.

The retiring members of the committee, Messrs. R. Regan, W. F. Phillips, L. Couzins, F. Kemp and H. Knight, were re-elected, and Mr. T. Elliott was elected to fill a vacancy.

A NEW COMEDY

PRISCILLA LANE AT KING'S

A gay new comedy is among the attractions offered at the King's Theatre, Ramsgate, this week.

"Million Dollar Baby," which heads the bill to-day and to-morrow, is a delightful romantic comedy dealing with the adventures of a shopgirl who inherits a million dollars. Pretty Priscilla Lane is the "Million Dollar Baby" and Jeffrey Lynn the young lawyer who first brings her news of her inheritance, then stays to sue for her hand. Ronald Reagan is cast as a cynical young composer who is in love with Priscilla, but prejudiced against her money. It is a sparkling story, full of bright situations and irresistible human touches. Also being shown is "Ferry Pilot," a film showing a day in the affairs of the Air Transport Auxiliary, whose business it is to fly completed aircraft from delivery lines to bases. There is a spot of trouble when a Nazi intervenes while a Whitley bomber is in process of delivery.

Anita Louise and Bruce Bennett are co-starred in "The Phantom Submarine," chief feature for the latter part of the week. It begins with a search for the steamship Arcadia's sunken gold and the discovery that somebody has been laying mines so as completely to cut off the Philippines from United States protection and ends with a battle in which a gang of foreign agents is rounded up. Anita Louise is also featured in "Two in a Taxi," a gay story set in New York, in which she plays opposite Russell Hayden.

ALDERMAN SUED BY NIECE

POSSESSION ORDER GRANTED

Alderman W. T. Smith, of Ramsgate, who recently at his war-time home at Wingham celebrated his golden wedding anniversary, was the respondent in an action at Canterbury county court on Tuesday.

Alderman Smith was sued by his niece, Mrs. Marjorie W. White, now living at Canterbury with her mother, for possession of Shanklin, The Green, Wingham, which she let furnished to him on a three months tenancy.

Mr. G. M. Kingsford, for plaintiff, said Alderman and Mrs. Smith were bombed out of their home at Ramsgate.

Mrs. White said she was living at Shanklin until April, 1941, when her husband was called up. Alderman Smith called one evening and she told him she was going to where her husband was stationed for three months and asked him if he knew of anyone who would like the house. He called again and arranged to take the house as from 1st June for three months. It was let to him at 25s. a week and it was agreed that his son-in-law should pay 10s. and himself 15s. a week.

Alderman Smith said he first heard about the house when his wife received a letter from Mrs. White—her niece—asking if she would like the house.

Mrs. White denied this, and said that it was while Alderman Smith was out on a car drive with the Chief Constable of Ramsgate that he called at the house.

Underwent Serious Operation.

Alderman Smith agreed with his Honour that it was agreed he should have the house for three months, but he said that at the end of that time consideration would be given to extension. A week after he took the house he was ordered into Kent and Canterbury Hospital for a serious operation and later was at Shanklin for two months convalescing. At the end of that time he was sent back to hospital for the major part of the operation. It made it impossible for him to vacate the house because, in addition to his illness, his wife was 76 years of age and his daughter and two little children were also at the house. They had come from Ramsgate, a designated area, and they were entitled to be considered in an evacuation area under the Government Evacuation Scheme for billeting. When he left hospital after his second operation he was served with notice to leave the house. It was impossible to get another house and the billeting authority knew the difficulty of securing accommodation.

His Honour said that however hard it would be on defendant from what he had been told plaintiff was entitled to possession.

Alderman Smith said he had asked the Ministry of Health to requisition the house under the Government scheme and he was informed that before any steps were taken they would await the decision of the court on this application for possession. If his Honour decided to make an order for possession then the requisitioning of the house would have to be considered by the Ministry.

His Honour: That is nothing to do with me.

Mrs. White said she wanted the house to live in so that she would have a place when her husband came home on leave. He came on leave for about nine days every three months, and was due for leave about July.

Answering Alderman Smith, Mrs. White said she had not told people in Wingham that if she obtained possession of the house she would not live in it.

His Honour made an order for possession in seven days, and suspended the operation of the order till 7th July.

MR. A. J. ADAMS

OLD ST. GEORGIAN'S DEATH

His many friends will learn with regret of the death of Mr. Arthur John Adams, of Tenterden, Queen's Gate-road, Ramsgate, who passed away last week at Baldslow, Sussex, after a long illness patiently borne.

Mrs. Adams has received many messages of sympathy and tributes to her husband.

Fifty-three years of age and an old boy of St. George's School, Mr. Adams was for some years on the staff of the Queen-street office of the Isle of Thanet Building Society, and was also a respected member of the Isle of Thanet Lodge of the I.O.G.T.

The funeral took place at Ramsgate on Thursday, and in addition to the family mourners there were also present representatives of the Isle of Thanet Building Society, the I.O.G.T., Old St. Georgians, Toc H and other organisations.

Floral tributes included a cross in red and white flowers from his widow and tributes were also sent by Dorothy, Reg and family, Aunt Bessie, Lucy and Jennie and Cousin Alice, Rosemarie, Will and Sally, Kathleen, Martin and Vera, Dot and Tom and family, Frank and Ethel, the Thanet Templars Convention, Isle of Thanet Lodge, I.O.G.T., Ramsgate and District Electric Light Co., Isle of Thanet Building Society, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jacobsen, Miss E. F. Culver, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. F. Hussey, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Knight, and Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Horne.

TOOK TOOLS HOME

FOREMEN DENY THEFT

Two men who have spent the greater part of their working life employed by contractors on aerodrome maintenance pleaded not guilty at Ramsgate county police court on Tuesday to the theft of tools, the property of the Government, between 1st January, 1939, and 9th March, 1942.

William Donald Marks, foreman plumber, of Vale-road, Ramsgate, employed at an aerodrome for 22 years, denied stealing tools value £3 17s. 5d., and Charles Henry Dadson, general foreman, of Spratling-street, Manston, similarly employed for 17½ years, denied stealing tools value £1 16s. 3d.

Both defendants were represented by Mr. Malcolm Borg.

Evidence was given by Sgt. F. Wilkinson, K.C.C., that the tools, bearing the Government stamp, were recovered by him from the homes of the defendants, where he and the officers who accompanied him were given every facility to search the premises. Dadson, in a statement, explained that the tools were picked up by him at odd times among the debris after the blitz in 1940. He had, he said, been advised by the foreman to take tools home. In a similar statement Marks explained that he often did work at home to save working at the camp at night and after the first blitz had been advised to remove tools to his home.

In reply to Mr. Borg, Sgt. Wilkinson said both defendants were quite frank about the whole transaction. They also knew, before their premises were searched, that the police were making inquiries with regard to goods removed from the camp.

A witness for the prosecution, Henry William Rootes, proprietor of Ross and Co., contractors, stated, in cross-examination, that both defendants had been employed by him for ten years. He had a very high opinion of them, they were very trustworthy and honest men. He had arranged that each foreman should have a set of the firm's tools at home so as to be ready for any emergency call. The men did no other work.

Removed For Safety.

Marks, in evidence, said that after the blitz began the manager told him to take tools home for safety and they had been kept there ever since. All the articles mentioned in the charge were tools of his trade and had never been used for any other job. As he knew inquiries were being made he could easily have got rid of the tools had he thought there would be any trouble over them.

Dadson gave similar evidence in his own defence.

The Chairman, Mr. W. Booth Reeve, said both men had been in responsible positions for a good many years and it seemed to the bench that there had been a bad want of management on the part of both of them. Men in their position should be able to see that property which did not belong to them should not be removed from the premises of the people to whom it did belong.

"You must know," added the Chairman, "that the case is more serious on account of your responsible positions and but for the good characters you have been given this morning there is no doubt you would have been seriously dealt with. I hope the position in which you find yourselves this morning will be a warning to you as to your future conduct with regard to this kind of thing and that you will not abuse the positions you occupy by allowing anything of this kind to take place again.

"We have decided in view of your good characters and some doubt which we have in our minds with regard to the question of the general management of this establishment to give you the benefit of that doubt and the cases will be dismissed. I hope this will be a warning to you."

Found in Boat Shed.

At the same court Arthur Henry Wells, electrician's mate, of Margate-road, Ramsgate, similarly charged in respect of the theft of tools valued at 14s. 10d., was fined £2.

Sgt. Wilkinson said the articles, which included 17 gross of cotter pins, were recovered by him from a boat shed kept by defendant and his father.

Represented by Mr. A. R. Young, defendant, who pleaded not guilty, said a hammer mentioned in the charge was issued to him and a screwdriver was given him in exchange by an airman. The other articles were salvaged by him in the summer of 1940, it being generally understood they should salvage anything they could, and as there was no store to which he could take them he took them home and afterwards forgot about them. While the blitz was on they were instructed to find their tools where they could and get on with the job.

Cross-examined by Inspr. F. Hann, K.C.C., defendant said he never told anyone he had taken the salvaged articles home. They were being bombed at the time and did not think about it.

Mr. Young commented on the fact that men who had behaved loyally and shown no little pluck at the time should, when conditions returned to normal, be charged with felony.

Announcing the decision of the bench, Mr. Booth Reeve said that, on the patriotic side, the chief question was to be loyal to one's employers.

When defendant said his wages last week, after deducting income tax, were only £2 12s. 4d., the magistrates allowed 14 days for the payment of the fine.

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Top-Dress ALL cereals and grass

A General Order requires all farmers to apply at least 1 cwt. of nitrogenous fertilizer—sulphate of ammonia, nitro-chalk or nitrate of soda—to all second white straw crops unless exemption is granted by the War Agricultural Executive Committee.

But ***all cereals*** should be top-dressed. The yields on many farms can be raised at least 10 per cent. The fact that in an exceptional season last year a good deal of corn, ***both top-dressed and otherwise***, was laid, must not deter farmers. If lodging is feared, the dressing should go on in the first two weeks of May. 1—1½ cwt. per acre will increase the number and size of the grains.

Grass for silage should get 1 cwt. per acre for each cut throughout the season. For aftermath to be ensiled, give 1½ cwt. per acre as soon as the hay is off.

EMERGENCY DRESSINGS

CEREAL CROPS. On land in poor heart, 1—1½ cwt. per acre helps a crop to resist wireworm, if applied as soon as attack is noticed, and before too much damage has been done.

CEREALS AND ROOTS. Where spring-sown crops are not growing away satisfactorily, despite a seed-bed dressing, a top-dressing should be applied where crops look yellow.

TEMPORARY "SEEDS" LEYS. Where the clover plant has been largely thinned by frost during winter, 1—1½ cwt. per acre will stimulate the growth of the grasses and increase the hay crop.

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ST. GEORGE'S "TRIAL BY JURY"

If the war-time vitality of the parishioners of St. George's, Ramsgate, had ever been in question all doubt was removed on Thursday by the highly successful performance given at the Parish Hall by members of the choir and congregation of Gilbert and Sullivan's one-act comic opera "Trial by Jury."

The occasion was the patronal festival of St. George's and even in peace-time such an enterprising form of celebration would have been regarded as an ambitious undertaking.

Given by permission of the D'Oyly Carte Opera Co., the St. George's day performance in public brought to a happy culmination a series of rehearsals which, under the enthusiastic lead of the Vicar, the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth, have considerably relieved the tedium of winter evenings for the cast of over 50 who took part.

A large audience testified their warm appreciation of the enterprising venture, which revealed that St. George's possesses an abundance of stage talent.

The outstanding performance was that of Mr. H. S. Mirams, one of the tenor soloists of St. George's choir, as the defendant, to whom much of the credit for the success of the show must be given. His moving appeal to the jury—"Gentlemen, listen I pray"—was splendidly rendered. As the plaintiff the Matron of the General Hospital, Miss V. M. P. Thomas, acted with dignity and expression. As the court usher, Mr. Cyril Shaxted, the choir's bass soloist, gave an excellent rendering of a difficult role and extracted much humour from it. Donning counsel's wig and gown and briefed on behalf of the plaintiff, Mr. E. A. Knight appeared well at ease, and was particularly effective in detailing legislation introduced in the reign of James II. Mr. F. S. Wraight, as the foreman of the jury, ably acted "as a father" to the swooning plaintiff, while the Vicar, although inclined to forget some of his words, extracted much broad humour from his role, particularly in detailing how he came to be a judge.

The Five Bridesmaids.

Great praise must also be given to the five bridesmaids, with Miss Grace Smith as chief bridesmaid, supported by Mrs. D. M. Shaxted and the Misses Mabel Sharp, Jean Shaxted and Ada Spinner. These ladies contributed largely to the success of the show, their first chorus being smoothly and daintily rendered. The gentlemen of the jury were Messrs. D. Barrett, Leslie Downs, F. Farnsworth, R. W. Fagg, Grahame Roberts, C. S. Holthouse and A. C. Kelson. The ladies of the chorus were the Misses Day, Gloria Knight and Newby and Mesdames Apps, Barrett, Bishop, Dean, C. S. Holthouse, Mirams, Soanes, Smith, Knight and Winchester.

At the close a bouquet and box of chocolates were handed by Miss Mabel Sharp to Miss Janet Poulden, who had worked extremely hard in training the chorus and who accompanied throughout the performance, and a bouquet was also presented by Miss Jean Shaxted to Mrs. Farnsworth, who had acted as the producer.

Special mention must be made of the excellent dresses, bonnets and bouquets worn and carried by many of the ladies taking part and which were the work of Miss Day, one of the members of the chorus.

Prior to the performance, which followed festal evensong, tenor solos were excellently sung by Mr. R. W. Fagg and treble solos by Master Bernard Warden, the latter senior choirboy at Cranbrook School.

A silver collection produced £7 1[illegible]s. 6d. for the hall funds.

APRIL GOES TO IT

"April, April,
Laugh thy girlish laughter,
Then, the moment after,
Weep thy girlish tears!"

April was ever an emotional maiden, a peach, however, compared with her frigid elder sisters. She seems to know there is a war on. Grass has got away to a flying start and corn is going into an ideal seed-bed. Prosaic farmers, if the truth be told, rather welcome April's occasional "tears." Anyway, they soon dry up and all is sunshine again.

In farming, tilth and a good start are almost everything. If a crop begins well almost invariably it ends well. If it falters, it is not the crop, as a rule, that is to blame. Crops, animals, children, they are all the same—they need to be well nourished at birth and in early life, and the food supply must be readily accessible. See that the food is there.

"When April blows his horn,
It's good both for hay and corn."

If it is good for hay and corn, it is good also for pasture and for silage and milk. Plenty of grass means plenty of milk summer and winter. Milk is diluted protein, so is grass, and the basis of protein is nitrogen. The way, therefore, to still more grass is through nitrogen. No one, any longer, need have "more grass than he knows what to do with." If it rains all day so that he can't make hay, the Land Girls and the schoolboys will help him to make silage. And he can make still better silage, if the portents are that "it ain't gonna rain no more." But when you have made all the hay and all the silage you can, there is still one thing more you can do with grass. You can top-dress your pastures or your aftermaths in late summer and provide fresh green grazing up to Christmas. Then there are only three bare months to go and April and green grass are here again.

In distant lands and seas many brave hearts to-day are longing, "Oh, to be in England now that April's there." Let us do all we can to lighten their task and hasten and brighten their home-coming.

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WOMEN'S CHAT

YOUR WAR-TIME COOKERY BOOK

Here is another suggestion for the war-time cookery book that every careful housewife is making for herself by cutting out the recipes she really likes and pasting them into a book.

It is a recipe for Scotch bun slice, a nice substantial cake that goes well into the luncheon basket and helps us to use up stale crumbs in a really luxurious manner.

- 1 teacupful of grated carrot
- 1 teacupful of prune juice or jam water (made by washing out an emptied preserve jar)
- About ½ lb. of short paste
- 2-3 ozs. chopped prunes or other dried fruit
- 2 tablespoonsful of sugar
- 1 teacupful of stale breadcrumbs
- 1 teaspoonful of mixed spice, if possible

Mix all the ingredients together to a moist dough. Roll out the short paste, and line a deep tart tin or gingerbread tin with part of it. Thumb it up well to make a nice deep shell. Fill with the mixture, smooth it down evenly, and cover with the rest of the paste. Sprinkle lightly with sugar, mark it into fingers or squares with a knife, and bake in a moderate oven until the pastry is golden brown. Turn out on to a cooling wire, and cut up when cold.

The Liberty Cut.

Short hair is coming into fashion instead of the "page-boy" bob and the other long-haired styles that women have been wearing for some years.

Long hair is not practical in war-time. Women on war work have much less time to attend to their hair, and there is a shortage of shampoo powders, side-combs, hair-pins and curlers. In addition, long hair does not look smart with uniform and service cap, and it is dangerous in the factory.

To meet war-time requirements a new and attractive style of hairdressing has been designed by the Guild of Hairdressers. It is called the "Liberty Cut" and is a method of cutting the hair short and tapered in such a way that the wearer is at liberty to arrange it how she pleases.

This new cut has many advantages. It can be easily washed, dried and curled at home, it is quickly brushed or combed into position, and it keeps tidy under hats and caps.

The Health Aspect.

Hairdressers approve the new cut. They say it suits permanent waving and, once waved, will respond to regular brushing and combing.

Besides this question of appearance there is an important health aspect of the need for short hair. Short hair is much more hygienic. There are some long styles popular at the present time which women are afraid to brush and comb sufficiently because this disturbs the set. In the crowded, hard-working conditions of war there is a danger of the spread of lice. These cause worry and loss of sleep and consequent lower working efficiency, apart from other dangers.

Women naturally want to be smart as well as patriotic. They will find that the new "Liberty Cut" makes them look younger and neater, and is just as attractive as long hair. In addition, they are helping to safeguard the health of the nation by adopting it.

RAMSGATE

Estimates for Removal or Storage.—Hardings, 3 Staffordshire-street, Turner-street, Ramsgate.

Whist Drives held every evening at the Ramsgate Working Men's Club, Chatham-place, at 7 p.m.

Fiancee's Anxiety.—Air-Gnr. Sgt. Stanley Briggs, aged 27 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Briggs, of Hindle-street, Darwen, whose engagement to Miss Ellen Cowell, of Ramsgate, was announced a few days ago, is now reported missing.

Things We are Wanting to Buy—Old Gold, Silver and Silver Plated goods, Field Glasses and Jewellery, and we offer good prices. Prosser and Newbery, 48 Queen-street, Ramsgate.

New Savings Groups.—Two new savings groups have been formed in Ramsgate recently. They are the Norman-road group (secretary, Mrs. A. C. Farley, 41 Norman-road) and the South Grange group (secretary, Mrs. P. English, 1 Edith-road).

St. Lawrence Church.—The Institution and Induction of the Rev. J. H. Roundhill, M.A., will take place at St. Lawrence Church at 6.30 p.m., Friday, 1st May. The Institution by the Bishop of Dover and Induction by the Archdeacon of Canterbury.

Whitsun Dances.—Ramsgate magistrates on Monday granted the application of Mr. B. J. Costerton for an extension of the music and dancing license in respect of the West Cliff Theatre until 11.30 p.m. on Whit-Saturday and until 12.30 a.m. for a dance to be held on Whit-Monday.

Wesley Guild.—Mr. E. Yeo was the speaker at the weekly meeting of the Wesley Guild, held in the Centenary Hall, Ramsgate, on Tuesday. Mr. Yeo, whose subject was "Memories," recalled many interesting and humorous incidents and happenings from his early life.

The Half-Mile Cup.—An old boy of Chatham House School, Ramsgate, Cpl. R. Jones, R.A.F., was awarded a silver cup for winning the 880 yards race at a recent athletic meeting organised by the Royal Army Pay Corps. This is the second cup he has won for running during the past year.

Good Templary.—At the Foresters' Hall, Ramsgate, on Wednesday, the Sunbeam Lodge of Good Templars temporarily suspended their usual programme of an educational and progressive character and held a most successful social evening. There was a large attendance, including several visitors from the Midlands and also several men and women in uniform, home for a short respite from military duties. Mrs. Isaacs, C.T., and Mrs. Horn (secretary) were responsible for the arrangements, the former proved an efficient M.C., and Mrs. Watt (Advance Lodge) was at the piano.

BROADSTAIRS

Aid For China.—By means of a sale and Lenten self-denial offerings from friends, the Good Companions at St. Peter's have been able to send £5 3s. 1½d. for missionary aid to China.

Home From America.—Elder son of Mr. W. J. Overton, of St. Peter's Park-road, Broadstairs, Sgt. Plt. Leonard Overton, R.A.F., an old boy of Chatham House School, Ramsgate, has arrived home after completing a training course in America. Sgt. Plt. Overton has been in the Royal Air Force since 1937.

A Thousand Farthings.—In connection with the Wool Fund of St. Peter's Good Companions, Miss Ovenden has won a badge for collecting a thousand farthings. During the past month the Good Companions have forwarded to the Navy League 20 pairs of sea-boot stockings, three pullovers, seven pairs of mitten-gloves, a game of draughts, and 38 cloth bags for holding sets of dominoes.

The Oldest Member.—Although many of the members of St. Peter's Mothers' Union are at present away from the district, the oldest member, Mrs. Cook, aged 91 years, is still living in Broadstairs. With the late Lady Rose Weigall, Mrs. Cook, who continues to take an active interest in the union, started the branch at St. Lawrence, where she lived before coming to Broadstairs after the death of her husband.

First Aid Men at War.—With the exception of the Commandant, Mr. J. C. Bell, who has put in 27 years voluntary service, nearly all the members of the Broadstairs and St. Peter's Detachment of the British Red Cross Society, Kent 59, are on active service with H.M. Forces. One of them, S. R. Middleton, of St. Peter's, has died while doing duty at a home station with the R.A.M.C. Apart from five who are engaged on munition work, the remainder are serving in different branches of the forces at home and overseas.

MARGATE

Photographer Passes.—The funeral took place at Margate on Friday of Mr. Charles Davis, for many years proprietor of the Premier Studios, Marine-gardens, and a member of the Constitutional Club. Mr. Davis, who is survived by his wife, was 63 years of age.

Football Mishap.—During a football match between Margate N.F.S. and Margate Youth Club at the Royal School last week, Frank Neale, a member of the Youth Club team, sustained a fractured leg. The firemen won the game by two goals to one.

Mrs. Churchill's Thanks.—Pamela Hewitt, aged nine, of Milton-avenue, Margate, who is with Drapers Mills School at Elmhurst, near Lichfield, has received from Mrs. Churchill a letter of thanks for sending to the Aid to Russia Fund a sum of £1 3s. realised from a woollen golliwog she made.

BACK FROM AMERICA

Back in Ramsgate on a short spell of leave has been Ldg. Acm. Jack Blackburn, son of Mr. S. G. Blackburn, manager of the King's Theatre.

Ldg. Acm. Blackburn has recently returned from a trip to Canada and America where he underwent a 16 weeks navigational course in preparation for his flying duties with the Royal Air Force.

The experience was a unique one for Mr. Blackburn spent quite a time in South Florida, the film stars' paradise. To his English eyes, however, a lot of it seemed very highly coloured and artificial—and extremely expensive. However, the British airmen were never short of hosts to take them to places of amusement and thoroughly enjoyed themselves in their spare time, in spite of the fact that on Christmas Day the temperature stood at 89 degrees in the shade. The chief concern of many people in this part of the States at the present time is the restriction on motor tyres but Mr. Blackburn found them very willing to give up their time to efforts directed towards the prosecution of the war. No doubt we were in much the same frame of mind when this country had been at war only four months, and it took Dunkirk to make us realise that nothing short of all-out effort would ensure victory.

THE ROYAL OBSERVER CORPS

There are about 300 different types of aircraft in the American, British and German Air Forces which might fly over Great Britain.

But the figure does not daunt members of the Royal Observer Corps, whose experts can recognise from memory all the first-line operational types—probably 80—which might do so, and could check up on any of the others in a matter of seconds.

Women are showing a great aptitude for the work; and although many of them are engaged on inside jobs, some are already taking the place of men who are being called up from the posts.

Thanet Mayors

AT ARCHBISHOP'S ENTHRONEMENT

The Mayor of Ramsgate (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe) and the Mayor of Margate (Alderman G. P. Hoare) were among the Kent mayors present at Canterbury Cathedral on Thursday when the new Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. William Temple, was enthroned.

The Mayor of Margate was accompanied by Mrs. Hoare and the two Margate Coronation barons, Alderman W. R. Noble and Mr. W. Booth Reeve.

Ramsgate's Coronation baron, ex-Alderman H. Stead, was unable to make the journey from Chesterfield.

Colourful Pageantry.

The Archbishop, wearing a cope and mitre of white and gold, was a striking figure in a ceremony of colourful pageantry. As he paced to the high altar he was accompanied by the Dean (Dr. Hewlett Johnson) and the Archdeacon (the Ven. T. K. Sopwith).

More than 60 bishops, together with representatives of 25 other Christian denominations, took part in the service and the fanfares played by trumpeters of the Kneller Hall Band were the same as those played at the Coronation of King George at Westminster Abbey.

The first Archbishop of Canterbury to be placed in the throne once occupied by his father, Dr. Temple was enthroned first in the canopied throne in the choir, next in the Dean's seat, and finally in the stone chair given by Ethelbert, King of Kent, in 597, to St. Augustine, the first Archbishop of Canterbury.

In the presence of a vast congregation Dr. Temple was inducted, installed and enthroned into "the real, actual and corporal possessions of the Archbishopric of Canterbury with all its metropolitical rights, dignities, honours, privileges and appurtenances whatsoever."

Preaching from the text "The nations shall walk by the light thereof," Dr. Temple said:

"The secular movement of the world is not towards peace or mutual understanding; rather is it towards more intense and fiercer competition, conflict and war between larger and ever larger concentrations of power, either economic or military, or both.

"If that were all that could be said, the Church could do little else but work below the surface, morally if not physically returning to the catacombs, preserving the Gospel in its purity and potential might, until it again confronts the world as the one coherent fellowship which can alone give stability and peace.

"Yet there is one great ground of hope for the coming days—the world-wide Christian fellowship.

"A German victory, in Germany's present mood, would mean the end of that ecumenical Christian movement and all the hopes connected with it. This is no guess; it is the declared policy of the German State and follows of necessity from its principles.

"It is our duty as Christian citizens to do our utmost towards winning the war that we may keep open the possibility of a Christian civilisation and maintain the hope of a fellowship pervading all nations under the allegiance of Jesus our Lord."

Before the Archbishop imparted his blessing, first from the high altar and again from the chair of St. Augustine, the hymn "City of God how Broad and Far" was sung.

First Letter to Diocese.

In his first letter to the diocese, Dr. Temple expresses the joy it gives him to return to Canterbury, where he spent some of his happiest years as he was growing from boyhood to manhood.

After paying warm tribute to his predecessor, Dr. Lang, whom it was going to be very difficult to follow, Dr. Temple adds:

"I am called to this great office at a critical moment. The difficulties are very great. I am sure you prayed, when you knew that a change was coming, for a right choice to be made, I am sure that, since the announcement of that choice was made, you have prayed for me. Do not let those prayers be less regular or sincere when I come among you."

On Wednesday, when the new Archbishop was given a civic welcome in Canterbury Guildhall, the Mayor, Alderman C. Lefevre, said that Dr. Temple came to his high office at a time of tremendous moment. The people stood in need of inspiration and comfort, and the Church had great opportunities and great responsibilities.

Dr. Temple said he had conferred on two dioceses one great benefit—he had brought his wife to work in them. He knew that before long they would be grateful for that.

MARCH GIFTS TO HOSPITAL

During March a donation of £1 1s. was received by Ramsgate General Hospital from Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Ingram and Miss Ingram, of Broadstairs, "in affectionate memory of Miss Taylor, 19 Percy-road, Broadstairs."

The only other donation was one of £5 5s. from F. W. Woolworth and Co.

Annual subscriptions received during the month were: £5 5s., Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lilwall; £3 3s., St. Lawrence Lodge of Freemasons, No. 3350; £2, Mrs. F. G. Borradaile; £1 1s., Miss Muriel Storr, W. and R. Fletcher Ltd.; 2s. 6d., Mrs. G. A. Pite.

The box at the hospital contained £1 3s. 7d. and a church collection of £1 was received from St. Mark's, Northwood.

The amount received from the Ramsgate section of the Thanet Hospitals' Contributory Scheme was £54 10s. 6d.

Gifts in kind included tinfoil, waste paper, magazines, books, peroidicals and games, in addition to children's clothing sent by Mrs. F. Merchant, of Toronto, Canada.

RESTRICTING DELIVERIES

A meeting of Margate grocers, greengrocers and other retail food distributors was held at the Royal School, Margate, last week, to consider the question of deliveries.

It was decided to submit to the Ministry of War Transport a scheme whereby no deliveries will be made to customers in the town. Bicycles only will be used for deliveries to invalids and to the rural areas but it is suggested that greengrocers should be permitted to deliver orders weighing over 28lbs. For hawkers it was recommended that they should be allowed to go round one full day a week or two half-days.

VISITS TO EVACUEES

Details are published in our publicity columns to-day of extended facilities for Ramsgate people to visit relatives in the reception or neutral areas.

In "Produce Your Own Eggs" (Lindsay Drummond Ltd., 2s. 6d.), Mr. G. Ryley Scott, expert on poultry farming, helps the "backyarder" to get the best results from his chickens and solves for the beginner the many problems raised by chicken keeping.

TYRANNY OF HABITS

THE DISCIPLINE OF WAR

By HORACE ANNESLEY VACHELL

To write of the tyranny exercised by our habits would be platitudinous, but (oddly enough) this tyranny has been overthrown by the paperhanger of Berchtesgaden. He has seen to it that we can no longer do what we have done; and it is amusing (indeed uplifting) to consider what effect this deprivation has had on us.

Let us begin with rationing. Graves—so the doctors declare—are dug with our teeth. To-day we are on a rigid diet; we eat and drink, more or less protestingly, much less than we did; and the national life (so we are told) is better. The idle rich, if there are any left, have to be content with a three-course dinner; the working rich sit down to high tea! Incontestably, we can congratulate ourselves that as a nation we can goodhumouredly kiss so many of our engrained habits good-bye or au revoir. We stand patiently in queues; we do without new clothes; we travel by slow trains almost invariably late in reaching their destinations.

Hustle on the Home Front.

All is very far from being quiet on the domestic front. The servant question has ceased to be a note of interrogation because at the registry offices the answer is negative. There may be still a few very young girls and elderly persons available for service, but for the most part thousands of hitherto well-to-do persons have no staff at all. What has been the result? Ladies of quality are functioning as maids of all work; and they are cheerful! I know one gentlewoman, living in a Georgian mansion which in pre-war days held four servants in the staff-room, who has been unable to find one servant, partly because she lives in the country, and she has done all the work. Then she broke her shoulder and had to be taken to a hospital. Does she whine? She does not. In her case (and in thousands of others) the habit of dependence on paid ministrations has gone by the board. And who dares to say that dependence on others is not a bad habit?

We come to the tyranny of Nicotina, a matter personal to myself. I smoked to slight excess because a doctor told me that it was better for an elderly man to smoke to slight excess rather than eat too much; and a man who smokes a little more tobacco than is good for him eats less food. The severe rationing of tobacco has laid by the heels chain-smoking of pipes and cigarettes, as bad a habit as hunting six days a week.

Our sports and pastimes exercise tyranny if we devote too much time to them. If the amateur becomes a professional all is well. Otherwise he is the bond slave to a habit now in the melting pot.

Up With the Lark.

Other habits have been knocked on the head. The sluggard has to rise with the lark if he is doing war-work. Many persons are unpunctual, to-day punctuality is enforced.

Selfishness is a habit. Nobody in these days of bureaucratic control can do what they like. Humorously enough, doing what you like is not on all fours with liking what you do. Far from it—! And so, willy-nilly, self has to take a back seat. Unselfishness has come to stay for the duration of the war.

Hedonists, young or old, who used to declare that they were out for a good time all the time are now in for a busy time all the time. They do not whine, because self-pity engenders no sympathy whatever. On the other hand, it is comical to observe the capers now being cut by the newly-rich, the young people who secretly hope that the war will go on indefinitely, because they are paid a wage much higher than they could earn in the piping times of peace. They are acquiring the habit of spending every penny in the most happy-go-lucky spirit. This habit will impose its tyranny, although they are not aware of it. In contrast with these beggars on horseback are the horsemen and horsewomen of yesterday who now trudge along on foot.

Leisure is another habit. The so-called leisure class are now at work, resignedly sensible that their number is up. After this war only the workers will be comparatively prosperous. Too much leisure is boring. I recall a friend who retired too early from active business. He was not a Dismal Jimmy, but he said pathetically: "Whatever I do, I find myself wishing I were doing something else; and wherever I am, I long to be elsewhere."

Salutary Discipline.

Love of comfort is a habit which grows on us in middle age. Now we have to make a virtue of discomfort. What we can do without becomes of paramount importance. Great ladies still look distinguished in shabby frocks. If I saw a woman flaunting a chinchilla coat, I should be tempted to fling a stone at her. Doing without is a salutary discipline.

Minding one's own business is a habit. As a nation of individualists we refused to take cognisance of what Germany has been doing ever since we lent her money to re-arm. The bewhiskered tag: "Put your eggs in one basket and watch that basket" is discredited. "Put your eggs in one basket, and keep an eye peeled to see if there are any thieves about" would have served us better.

That thief of time, procrastination, was a pre-war habit, justified by slackers who gaily exclaimed: "Put off till to-morrow what need not be done to-day." Such backchat is unpopular because anything left undone by the wait-a-minute brigade has to be done by others.

Extravagance was a pre-war habit. The multi-millionaires of yesterday are to-day constrained to make every sixpence do duty for a shilling. The pounds-foolish spendthrifts have to be penny-wise.

If this war does indeed purge us of our bad habits, it will not have been waged in vain. How we have hugged our chains!

HOME GUARD VERSUS NAVY

Ramsgate Home Guard had their first service rifle shoot against the Royal Navy last week and although they lost on points—250 to 228—the townspeople can rest assured that they will be in safe hands should the enemy take it into their heads to invade these shores. The Navy will have to do even better to beat the Home Guard next time.

Royal Navy—A/B C. Price 37, A/B W. Harmer 37, Mr. Roberts 33, Rupert Chapman 32, Lt. Boulter 29, C/P/O Gray 29, A/B C. Darran 28, P/O Wtr. W. Bailey 25.

Home Guard—Sgt. C. Miles 35, Sgt. A. Bolton 31, Cpl. C. Hurst 31, Pte. A. Deverson 29, Pte. Wilcher 28, Cpl. J. Tucker 28, Lt. A. Startup 24, Pte. R. Kirk 22.

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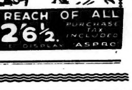

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THE WAR OF 1914-18

News of another attack on this neighbourhood is conveyed in an official message issued through the Press Bureau yesterday. The attack upon Ramsgate occurred in the early hours of the morning before daylight. The message shows that several enemy destroyers were engaged, and opened fire in the direction of the town. The message also states that the hostile craft were driven off after they had fired a large number of rounds. This is by far the most serious attack that has taken place and in view of the number of dwelling houses damaged it is remarkable that the casualties were so few. Unfortunately two people lost their lives but only three others were injured. It was a very dark night. The town was brilliantly illuminated by star shells which were fired from the enemy ships high in the air, remaining luminous for about a minute. Over a hundred shells fell in the town in the space of about five minutes. The greatest damage to property was done at a public-house. The bar was completely wrecked, together with some of the upstairs rooms. Where a man was killed, a shell penetrated his bedroom. In another house a baby's bed was covered by splinters of shrapnel, but the child was unharmed.

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It is painful to observe the row upon row of idle vessels lying in Ramsgate Harbour, while the food these ships could bring from the sea is not readily obtainable from other sources. There are indications from certain quarters that some effort is to be made to allow these ships again to sail, and it is possible that the attention of the Food Controller has been called to the matter. It is a serious question for Ramsgate and those dependent on the continuance of the industry will hope that no effort will be lost to secure the moderate prosperity that is possible, even at the present time.

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There is every probability that in the near future the question will be decided at St. Peter's as to the advisability of closing the daughter church of St. Andrew's, Reading Street. If this decision is confirmed it will merely be following the war-time fate of a nonconformist place of worship in the neighbourhood, which for the period of the war is closed.

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Information has been received of the death in action of Pte. William John Howard, of the R.A.M.C., eldest son of Mrs. R. J. Hall, of Bellevue-road. Pte. Howard served for a short period as a constable in Ramsgate Police Force.

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At present an inmate of a London hospital, having been wounded for the third time during the campaign, L/Cpl. John E. Setterfield enjoys the proud distinction of being the first St. Lawrence boy to win the Military Medal.

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For bringing his team safely out of action single-handed, Dvr. James Wigles, R.F.A., of Plains of Waterloo, Ramsgate, has been awarded the Military Medal.

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The new position created by the calling up of all doctors of military age was considered at a meeting of the members of the medical profession in Thanet on Wednesday. The action by the Government—necessitated by the attacks on hospital ships—inevitably leads to the prospect of further depletion in the number of doctors left in the district to meet the needs of the civilian population.

50 YEARS AGO
(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

JEALOUS

Ramsgate has some reason to feel a little jealous of Broadstairs. As mentioned by us a week of two since, the little watering place sandwiched in between Ramsgate and Margate is once more to be honoured by the presence of Royalty—this time by H.R.H. Princess Louise, who has consented to open the Victoria Hospital Convalescent Home. The question that most readily occurs to us in this connection is, Why is it that Royal Ramsgate cannot exercise sufficient influence to bring down a Royal or even a semi-Royal personage to bless so gigantic an undertaking—for this neighbourhood—as the new Marine Drive?

NARROW ROADS

As we are all aware, Ramsgate's streets are already too narrow without being rendered more impassable by obstructions that may easily be prevented. It is therefore with no small amount of satisfaction that we note thus early the issue of the following order by Mr. Buss, Chief Constable—"Tradespeople are cautioned against placing their goods in such a manner as to project on or over any footway, as they thereby render themselves liable to a penalty of 40 shillings. The police have received instructions to prosecute offenders."

MUSTER OF WHEELMEN

The village of Sarre was alive on Thursday evening on the occasion of an inter-club meeting of some local cycling clubs, when contingents from Canterbury, Margate and Ramsgate produced a muster of about 60 wheelmen. A short hour of conviviality was indulged in at the Crown Inn, during which period the captain of the newly-formed Margate Club took the opportunity of greeting the older clubs and expressed the wish that the occasion might be the first of a series of inter-club meets during the season.

HAPPY DAYS

At a special meeting of Ramsgate Town Council on Friday, Councillor Gwyn, in an able speech, moved the adoption of the recommendation of the joint meeting of the Finance and Works Committees that a general district rate of 2s. 4d. in the £ for the ensuing half-year be made. After a great deal of discussion the recommendation was agreed to.

SERGEANT WITHOUT A PERMIT

Sgt. George Thomas Augustus Tidball, R.A.F., who paid a visit to his mother at Dumpton Park-road, Ramsgate, while on leave on 27th March, was summoned at Ramsgate county police court on Tuesday for entering a forbidden area on a motor cycle without a permit.

Defendant, who was stopped by P/C Thompson, K.C.C., at Mount Pleasant, said he thought the road was now open and that permits were no longer required.

A fine of 5s. was imposed.

NEWS OF THOSE ON SERVICE

Relatives are invited to notify The Editor, "Advertiser & Echo," Church-hill, Ramsgate, of particulars concerning Thanet men serving with H.M. Forces who become war casualties, and concerning whom official information has been received from the appropriate Service Department.

News of decorations awarded, promotions and other items of similar interest will be particularly welcomed.

The Editor also welcomes the submission of photographs, which will be published free of charge to relatives.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

BIRTHS

Bateman.—16th April, at Ashford Hospital, the wife of Plt. Off. M. C. Bateman, R.A.F., of a son.

Froud.—20th April, at 18 Marlborough-road, Margate, the wife of Sgt. J. Froud, of a son (still-born).

Hulks.—18th April, at 22 Saxon-road, Faversham, the wife of Sgt. Raymond Hulks, of a daughter.

Hood.—22nd April, at 22 Broadwater Down, Tunbridge Wells, to Norah (née Saull), wife of H. C. Hood, a sister for Maureen.

MARRIAGES

Baldey—Barnett.—25th April, at the Parish Church, Edburton, Sussex, by the Rev. T. Westall, Benjamin Percival Baldey, of Fulking, Sussex, to Mabel Doris Ada Barnett (née Stokes), of Ramsgate.

Dent—Shingles.—20th April, at St. John's Church, Margate, George Dent, of Hull, to Yvonne Shingles, of Westwood, Margate.

Mann—McRobbie.—18th April, at St. Peter's Church, by the Rev. R. D. d'E. Meredith, P/O Douglas Vernon Mann, R.N., of Broadstairs, to Elma Wishart McRobbie, of Glasgow.

Ring—Redman.—18th April, at Christ Church, Ramsgate, Lt. Robert Henry Guy Ring, R.A., of Yeovil, Somerset, to Joyce Muriel Redman, of Ramsgate.

DEATHS

Bearman.—23rd April, Edward George White Bearman, of Dulverton, Birchington, aged 81 years.

Davis.—22nd April, at 9 Marine-gardens, Margate, Charlie Davis.

Shufflebotham.—19th April, at Warwick Hospital, Emily Shufflebotham, of Leamington Spa, late of Margate.

Simpson.—19th April, Arthur Edward Simpson, of 1 Elderslie-road, Eltham, and Margate.

IN MEMORIAM

Bath.—In memory of Reginald George Bath, killed in action 22nd April, 1940.
Though Time may wend its ceaseless way,
To us, it seems but yesterday
You fought the good Fight,
You finished your course;
While striving for Right
To overcome Force.

Side.—In fond remembrance of our son, Sgt. Norman B. V. Side, who was accidentally killed whilst on duty, 30th April, 1941.—Always in the thoughts of Mum, Dad, Sisters and Brothers. Called to a Higher Duty.
—12 Nelson-crescent, Ramsgate.

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